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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: REPORT

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1. THIS IS A FULL REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING DECEMBER 1 AND 2 WHICH WAS
REPORTED BRIEFLY IN REF A.

2. THE TAC MEETING APPROVED THE DIRECTOR GENERAL'S (DG)
PROPOSED AGENDA, GOV/COM.8/58, WITHOUT COMMENT. THE TAC
THEN TOOK UP AGENDA ITEM 1, EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT, TO BE
PROVIDED FROM THE AGENCY'S OWN RESOURCES IN 1978, WHICH
WAS INTRODUCED BY DDG BITTENCOURT.

3. DDG BITTENCOURT SKIPPED THE USUAL REVIEW OF THE PRO-
CEDURES FOR PREPARATION OF THE EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT
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PROGRAM, AND INSTEAD STRESSED PARTICULAR ASPECTS OF THE
PROGRAM INCLUDING CONSULTATIONS WITH TA RECIPIENTS, THE
ASIA AND PACIFIC REGIONAL PROJECT WHICH IS THE FIRST SUCH
PROJECT IN THE AGENCY TA PROGRAM, THE RECORD NUMBER OF
COUNTRIES TO RECEIVE TA IN THE 1978 PROGRAM, AND THE TREND
TOWARD TA REQUESTS IN THE NUCLEAR POWER FIELD. VOLUNTARY
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR TA HAVE BEEN PLEDGED IN THE AMOUNT OF

NEARLY DOLS 6 MILLION AND BITTENCOURT NOTED THE PROGRAM'S FINANCIAL UNCERTAINTY WHICH MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO KNOW EXACTLY WHICH PROJECTS CAN BE IMPLEMENTED. HE WENT ON TO EXPLAIN THAT OF THE DOLS 7 MILLION TARGET 5 MILLION HAD BEEN ALLOCATED FOR EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT AND 1.9 MILLION FOR FELLOWSHIPS AND TRAINING COURSES. FYI: IT IS DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND HOW THE SECRETARIAT CAN ALLOCATE 6.9 MILLION DOLLARS AGAINST APPROXIMATELY 6 MILLION DOLLARS PLEDGED FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO OPERATING FUND II. END FYI. BITTENCOURT ALSO EXPLAINED THAT PROJECTS FOR EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN THOSE IDENTIFIED BY FOOTNOTE A WOULD REQUIRE SLIGHTLY MORE THAN DOLS 5,400,000. THE SECRETARIAT, HE NOTED, WOULD MAKE EFFORTS TO OBTAIN RESOURCES NECESSARY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FULL REGULAR PROGRAM AND AT LEAST PART OF THE FOOTNOTE A PROJECTS.

4. BITTENCOURT ALSO NOTED THAT IN PAST YEAR THE SECRETARIAT HAD RECEIVED TWO REQUESTS FOR EMERGENCY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, ONE OF WHICH HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN THE REGULAR PROGRAM FOR 1978, THE OTHER OF WHICH HAD BEEN FUNDED FROM A SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION. THE REQUEST WHICH RESULTED IN A PROJECT IN THE REGULAR PROGRAM OF 1978 WAS A REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE REPLACEMENT OF A SECONDARY STANDARDS DOSIMETRY LABORATORY IN ROMANIA WHICH WAS DESTROYED BY THE RECENT EARTHQUAKE. IN THIS CASE THE SECRETARIAT SHORTCUT THE NORMAL PROCEDURES AND INCLUDED THE ROMANIAN

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REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN THE 1978 PROGRAM. BITTEN COURT USED THIS INSTANCE TO ILLUSTRATE THE DESIRABILITY OF A RESERVE FUND FROM WHICH THE DIRECTOR GENERAL COULD MEET SUCH REQUESTS. SECOND EMERGENCY REQUEST WAS FROM MEXICO FOR A MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY CONTROL PROJECT. FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR THIS PROJECT WERE PROVIDED BY CANADA AS A PART OF ITS SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION. BITTENCOURT SAID THAT THIS IS A PROJECT IN WHICH THE IAEA IS COOPERATING WITH THE FAO AND WHICH IS SUPPORTED BY BILATERAL PROJECTS BETWEEN MEXICO AND OTHER COUNTRIES.

5. ON THE QUESTION OF SAFEGUARDS BITTENCOURT NOTED THAT ONE PROJECT, EGYPTIAN WASTE MANAGEMENT, WAS DEEMED BY THE SECRETARIAT TO WARRANT THE APPLICATION OF SAFEGUARDS IN THE EVENT THAT FURTHER ASSISTANCE BE REQUESTED TO COVER THE MANAGEMENT OF HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTES BY REPROCESSING.

6. BITTENCOURT WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE SECRETARIAT HAS MADE CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GROUP OF EXPERTS. TWO OF THE PAPERS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE TAC, THE REPORT ON

PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AND THE REVISED GUIDING PRINCIPLES
RESPOND TO RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GROUP OF EXPERTS.
ADDITIONALLY A LETTER HAS BEEN SENT TO TA RECIPIENT
COUNTRIES INVITING THEM TO APPOINT LIAISON OFFICERS TO

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FACILITATE PROCESSING OF TA REQUESTS. AT PRESENT POSITIVE
ANSWERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM NINE COUNTRIES. A HIGH-
LEVEL SECRETARIAT TASK FORCE HAS ALSO BEEN FORMED TO
CONSIDER INTERNAL MATTERS ON WHICH THE GROUP OF EXPERTS
MADE RECOMMENDATIONS. THE GROUP OF EXPERTS ALSO
RECOMMENDED THAT PROGRAMMING MISSIONS BE SENT TO TA
RECIPIENT COUNTRIES AND BITTENCOURT ANNOUNCED PLANS FOR
SEVERAL SUCH MISSIONS IN 1978, CONTINGENT ON BG APPROVAL
OF NECESSARY RESOURCES TO FUND TRAVEL AND STAFF COSTS.

7. IN DISCUSSING THE TA IMPLEMENTATION REPORT, GOV/COM.8/
62, BITTENCOURT NOTED THAT ONLY YEARS FOR WHICH UNIMPLE-
MENTED REGULAR PROGRAM PROJECTS WERE OUTSTANDING HAD BEEN
INCLUDED AND THAT THERE WAS ONLY ONE SUCH PROJECT UNDER
THE 1972 REGULAR PROGRAM. OF THE TOTAL UNOBLIGATED
BALANCES 9 PERCENT ARE FOR THE YEARS 1972 THROUGH 1974
WHEREAS 50 PERCENT OF THOSE BALANCES REFLECT PROJECTS IN
THE 1977 TA PROGRAM.
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8. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF EGYPT OPENED THE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE PROGRAM OF EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT IN 1978 NOTING FAVORABLY THE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PROJECTS AND THE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, BUT HE WAS DISTRESSED BY THE FACT THAT ONE QUARTER OF THE PROGRAM AMOUNTED TO FOOTNOTE A PROJECTS WHICH WOULD NOT PROBABLY BE IMPLEMENTED FOR LACK OF FUNDS. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE SAW THE TARGET FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE UNREALISTICALLY LOW AND URGED MEMBER COUNTRIES TO CONTRIBUTE AT A LEVEL CONSISTENT WITH THEIR ASSESSED RATE. THE EGYPTIAN REPRESENTATIVE WENT ON TO CRITICIZE THE METHOD OF ESTABLISHING THE TARGET FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AS AN ANNUAL HAGGLE BETWEEN THE LARGE DONORS AND THE TA RECIPIENTS. AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE PAST PROCESS HE SUGGESTED A NEW FUNDING METHOD TO INSURE ADEQUATE FUNDING IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING FACTORS: (A) THE AMOUNT OF TA PROVIDED IN THE PAST, (B) INFLATION, (C) EXCHANGE RATE FLUCTUATIONS, AND (D) GROWTH. HE SUGGESTED THAT CONSULTATIONS TAKE PLACE PRIOR TO FORMAL CONSIDERATION OF THE TARGET. THE EGYPTIAN REQUEST FOR EARLY CONSULTATIONS ON THE TARGET FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION WAS LATER JOINED BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF PAKISTAN, CANADA, GHANA, NIGERIA, USA, PANAMA, AND ROMANIA.

9. THE FRG REP IN GENERAL APPROVED THE PROGRAM OF EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT PROPOSED BY THE SECRETARIAT AND WENT ON TO NOTE THE INTERREGIONAL TRAINING COURSE IN KARLSRUHE AND TYPE II FELLOWSHIPS CONTRIBUTED BY THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY WHICH AMOUNTED TO DOLS 690,000 IN 1977. HE REQUESTED THAT THE SECRETARIAT MENTION THESE CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE RELEVANT AGENCY PAPERS. FYI: CONTRIBUTIONS BY THE FRG AS SHOWN IN GOV/COM.8/61 AMOUNT TO DOLS 49,700 FOR

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FOUR LECTURERS AND TEN TYPE II FELLOWSHIPS. END FYI. THE FRG REP WENT ON TO QUESTION WHETHER THE PROJECTS IN GOV/COM.8/59 WERE INTEGRATED INTO RECIPIENT COUNTRIES' DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS TO OBTAIN MAXIMUM BENEFIT AND TO NOTE HIS GOVERNMENT'S PREFERENCE FOR MULTIYEAR PROGRAMS. BITTENCOURT EXPLAINED THAT IT WAS DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE GOOD PROJECT INTEGRATION WITH ONE YEAR PROJECTS BUT THE AGENCY HAD ATTEMPTED TO INSURE THE PROJECTS WERE INTEGRATED INTO RECIPIENT COUNTRIES' DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.

10. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF ARGENTINA NOTED THAT IN PARAGRAPH SIX OF DOCUMENT GOV/COM.8/59 THE LANGUAGE OF GOV/1853 CONCERNING SAFEGUARDS IN CONNECTION WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE HAD NOT BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. HE REQUESTED AMENDMENT OF PARAGRAPH 6 TO CONFORM WITH GOV/1853 BEFORE THE BG MEETING IN FEBRUARY AND WAS SUPPORTED BY REPS OF INDIA, EGYPT AND MEXICO. THE ARGENTINE REP SAID THAT THE REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION, GOV/COM.8/62, SHOULD NOT BE AN ACCOUNTING DOCUMENT AND THAT IT WAS DEFICIENT IN LACKING A CLEAR EXPLANATION OF THE WORKINGS OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION.

11. THE REP OF MEXICO SPOKE NEXT NOTING WITH APPRECIATION EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FROM THE AGENCY FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY PROJECT AND SPECIFICALLY REFERRING TO CANADA AND THE U.S. AS MAKING VERY VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO MEXICO'S EFFORTS TO SOLVE ITS MED FRUIT FLY PROBLEM. HE THEN CALLED FOR MORE TA PROJECTS REQUIRING SAFEGUARDS TO GIVE LIFE TO THE RULES ON SAFEGUARDS IN CONNECTION WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

12. THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM PAKISTAN NOTED, AS DID THE REPRESENTATIVE OF MEXICO, APPRECIATION OF THE ASSISTANCE FROM U.S. IN FILLING THE GAP IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RESOURCES IN 1977. PAKISTAN REP ALSO CALLED AS MEXICO DID IN LAST YEAR'S TAC MEETING FOR COMPARATIVE FIGURES
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OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AGAINST PREVIOUS YEAR'S PROGRAM. HE ALSO NOTED THE LACK OF DATA AS REGARDING INCREASES IN COSTS FOR EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT AND REQUESTED THAT THIS INFORMATION BE INCLUDED.

13. THE REP OF ROMANIA SPOKE ENDORSING THE REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF GOV/COM.8/62 WHICH HE SAID SHOULD BE A PERMANENT PART OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE BOARD

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THROUGH THE TAC. ALSO ENDORSING GOV/COM.8/62 WERE REPS
OF JAPAN, ARGENTINA, BELGIUM AND MALAYSIA. HE ALSO
THANKED THE AGENCY FOR ITS EFFORTS IN REGARD TO THE 1978
PROJECT FOR REPAIR OF THE ROMANIAN ACCELERATOR AND ALSO
FOR THE ISOTOPES IN AGRICULTURE PROJECT INCLUDED UNDER
FOOTNOTE A.

14. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF JAPAN ASKED FOR AMPLIFICATION OF
THE REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION TO INCLUDE TYPICAL EXAMPLES
OF ASSISTANCE PROVIDED, CONCENTRAING ON THE DETAILED
ANALYSIS OF THESE CASES AS A SUPPLEMENT TO GOV/COM.8/62.

15. THE REP OF BELGIUM THEN SPOKE CALLING FOR RELEASE OF
FUNDS WHICH ARE RESERVED FOR THOSE UNIMPLEMENTED PRO-
JECTS SO THAT OTHERS COULD BE IMPLEMENTED. IN CLOSING,
THE BELGIAN CALLED FOR GREATER ACCURACY IN THE SECRE-
TARIAT'S REPORTS WHICH THIS YEAR SHOWED ONLY TWO OF THE
SIX FELLOWSHIPS PROVIDED BY BELGIUM.
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16. THE REP OF MALAYSIA APPROVED OF THE INCREASES IN THE
SIZE OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. HE THEN CALLED
FOR THE AGENCY TO BE GUIDED BY THE UNDP RULES REGARDING
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. IN REGARD TO GOV/COM.8/62 THE
MALAYSIAN REPRESENTATIVE SUGGESTED THAT COUNTRY BY COUNTRY
BREAKDOWN OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IMPLEMENTATION BE IN-
CLUDED IN SUBSTITUTION FOR TABLE I WHICH SHOWS AN AREA BY
AREA BREAKDOWN.

17. THE REP OF GHANA SPOKE EXPRESSING CONCERN FOR THE
FINANCIAL SHORTFALL WHICH WOULD PLACE IN JEOPARDY A LARGE
NUMBER OF FOOTNOTE A PROJECTS. FYI: MISSION INTENDS TO

RECOMMEND GHANA FOOTNOTE A PROJECT IN U.S. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS-IN-KIND PROPOSAL. END FYI. GHANA REP WENT ON TO PROPOSE FUNDING OF FOOTNOTE A PROJECTS FROM THE REGULAR BUDGET WHICH WOULD ENABLE FULLY MEETING PUBLISHED PROJECTS UNDER EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT.

18. THE REP OF INDIA SPOKE CRITICIZING THE GENERAL FAILURE OF MEMBER COUNTRIES TO PLEDGE AT A LEVEL CONSISTENT WITH THE DOLS 7.5 MILLION TARGET.

19. REPRESENTATIVE OF CANADA SPOKE APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION IN PARA 9 OF GOV/COM.8/59 AND SPECIFICALLY ENCOURAGING MORE REGIONAL PROJECTS SUCH AS THE ONE INCLUDED IN GOV/COM.8/59. HE CALLED FOR SETTING THE TARGET SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH OR AFTER AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED CONCERNING THE PROGRAM FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

20. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF FRANCE SPOKE COMMENDING THE SECRETARIAT'S EFFORTS IN PRODUCING THE DOCUMENTS FOR THIS MEETING AND IN GENERAL LAMENTING THE SELECTION AMONG TA UNCLASSIFIED

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PROJECTS DUE TO THE EMPHASIS ON PROJECTS SUBMITTED BY TECHNICALLY ADVANCED COUNTRIES. FYI; ELEVEN COUNTRIES HAVE OBTAINED SECRETARIAT APPROVAL OF PROJECTS TOTALING DOLS 2,199,000 OR 28 PERCENT OF THE 1978 PROGRAM FOR TA EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT. END FYI.

21. NIGERIAN REPRESENTATIVE SPOKE ENDORSING CONSULTATIONS ON TARGET FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND CALLING FOR A MEETING ON METHODS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS.

22. THE UNITED STATES THEN SPOKE FROM A PREPARED STATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED REF B.

23. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF NIGER SPOKE COMMENDING THE SECRETARIAT'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT AND ENDORSING MULTIYEAR PROJECTS AS WELL AS A GENERAL INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

24. THE USSR REPRESENTATIVE SPOKE ENDORSING THE AGENCY'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES AND CALLING FOR A REVIEW OF THAT PROGRAM. HE SPECIFICALLY ENDORSED LONG-TERM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS AND NOTED HIS COUNTRY'S CONTRIBUTION IN THE FORM OF SEMINARS AND VISITS. HE OPPOSED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR NON-NPT PARTIES AS WELL AS ISRAEL, CHILE AND SOUTH KOREA.

25. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAN SPOKE QUESTIONING THE

AGENCY'S DIFFICULTIES IN FINDING EXPERTS ON THE BASIS OF HIS COUNTRY'S EXPERIENCE IN OFFERING FUNDS IN TRUST FOR EXPERTS SERVICES FOR IRAN AMOUNTING TO APPROXIMATELY 100 MAN-MONTHS WHICH, DUE TO THE DIFFICULTY OF LOCATING EXPERTS, COULD ONLY BE ACCEPTED IN AN AMOUNT NECESSARY TO COVER THE COST OF 36 MAN-MONTHS FOR EXPERTS SERVICES. HE CALLED FOR A STUDY OF THE DIFFICULTY RECRUITING TA EXPERTS AND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS.

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26. REPRESENTATIVE OF BRAZIL NOTED THAT THE QUESTION OF TA FUNDING HAD BEEN UNDER DISCUSSION FOR 20 YEARS, DEMANDED THAT FUNDS FOR OPERATING FUND II BE INCLUDED IN THE AGENCY'S REGULAR BUDGET AND CALLED FOR TA TO BECOME THE MAIN THRUST OF THE AGENCY'S ACTIVITIES.

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27. THE REP OF JAPAN SPOKE AGAINST CONSULTATIONS REGARDING THE TARGET FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS NOTING THAT FINANCING OF TA WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE MANDATE OF THE

COMMITTEE. JAPAN REP ALSO EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS PROPOSED BY THE SECRETARIAT.

28. THE UK REP SPOKE ENDORSING THE RECOMMENDED ACTION IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF GOV/COM.8/59 AND SUPPORTING MULTIYEAR PROJECTS CONCENTRATED TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM ASSISTANCE TO THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. IN CLOSING THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM CALLED FOR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR TA IN CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES IN VIEW OF THE LARGE BUILDUP OF NON-CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY BALANCES.

29. REP OF PANAMA ENDORSED THE SECRETARIAT'S PROPOSED ACTION IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF GOV/COM.8/59 AND NOTED THAT A MECHANISM SHOULD BE WORKED OUT TO MAKE THE TARGET FOR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS A LOT LESS VOLUNTARY.

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30. REP OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA ENDORSED THE RUSSIAN STATEMENT.

31. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEM 1, EXPERTS AND EQUIPMENT TO BE PROVIDED IN 1978 FROM THE AGENCY'S OWN RESOURCES, CLOSED WITH THE CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT OF CONSENSUS THAT THE RECOMMENDATION IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF GOV/COM.8/59 HAD BEEN APPROVED.

32. DDG BITTENCOURT OFFERED REMARKS ON THE REVISION OF THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES TO THE EFFECT THAT THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE REVISION WAS TO CLARIFY THE OBJECTIVES AND PROCEDURES OF THE TA PROGRAM, BUT THAT AS A MATTER OF PRACTICAL REALITY THERE WAS LITTLE IF ANY CHANGE IN THE PROGRAM, EXCEPT FOR THE SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE TA PROGRAM.

33. THE REP OF ARGENTINA WAS THE FIRST TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. HE CRITICIZED THE FAILURE OF THE REVISED GUIDING PRINCIPLES TO EVEN MENTION THE MOST CRITICAL QUESTION OF THE TA PROGRAM: NON-CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY. THE SECRETARIAT SHOULD, IN HIS VIEW, SHOW SEPARATE ACCOUNTS FOR CONVERTIBLE AND NON-CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY EXCHANGES. CONTINUING GENERALLY THE ARGENTINE REP CRITICIZED THE SLOW GROWTH IN THE TA BUDGET AND THE AGENCY PERSONNEL POLICY WHICH ENCOURAGES TURNOVER. COMMENTS SPECIFIC TO THE LANGUAGE OF DRAFT REVISION OF THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES WILL BE FORWARDED SEPARATELY BY AIRGRAM.

34. THE REP OF BRAZIL COMMENTED THAT THE DRAFT PROVIDES NO PROVISION FOR EMERGENCY TA REQUESTS AND ACCIDENTS. BRAZILIAN REP, WITH SUPPORT FROM REPS OF MEXICO, ECUADOR, JAPAN, CALLED FOR MENTION OF NON-CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY IN

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GUIDING PRINCIPLES, AND CALLED FOR CONTINUED FLEXIBILITY
IN DEALING WITH EMERGENCY TA REQUESTS.

35. AUSTRALIAN REP MADE A GENERAL STATEMENT ENDORSING THE
DRAFT REVISION OF THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND EXPRESSING
HIS GOVERNMENT'S SUPPORT FOR THE TA PROGRAM.

36. U.S. REP MADE STATEMENT ACCORDING TO INSTRUCTIONS
REF B.

37. FRG REP MADE STATEMENT ENDORSING U.S. PROPOSED
AMENDMENT AND ENCOURAGING MULTIYEAR PROGRAMMING. HE ALSO
CALLED ON SECRETARIAT TO COMMENT ON REPORTS ON IMPLEMEN-
TATION AND FOR REPORT FROM INTERNAL TASK FORCE.

38. USSR REP'S STATEMENT ADVOCATED TERMINATION OF TA TO
ALL BUT NPT PARTIES AND WELCOMED DG'S INITIATIVE IN
IMPROVING TA PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION. REP OF BRAZIL
OBJECTED TO DISTRIBUTION OF AGENCY TA TO NPT PARTIES.
USSR REP POINTED OUT THAT THE REPORT OF THE EXPERTS GROUP
SHOWED THE PROBLEMS OF THE TA PROGRAM TO LIE IN AREAS
OTHER THAN NON-CONVERTIBLE.

39. REP OF MALAYSIA ENDORSED THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND
PARTICULARLY THE REVISED TIMETABLE FOR THE TA PROGRAM.

40. WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT ALL PARTIES WERE WITHOUT
INSTRUCTIONS THE ATTENTION OF THE TAC WAS FOCUSED ON THE
SPECIFIC LANGUAGE OF THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND CERTAIN
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS. AS NOTED EARLIER, THIS DISCUSSION
WILL BE REPORTED IN DETAIL BY AIRGRAM.

41. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TAC MEETING THE CHAIRMAN
AGREED TO BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATIONS BEFORE THE BG
MEETING IN FEBRUARY. THE OBJECT OF THESE CONSULTATIONS
WILL BE TO ARRIVE AT AGREED LANGUAGE OF THE REVISED
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